

Six new monitoring networks came online with FY 2006 funding, bringing the total number of funded networks to 30 (green); 2 networks (gray) are proposed for funding in FY 2007 and would complete the planned system of 32 monitoring networks. Altogether, 270 parks have been organized into 32 networks that share

staff and other resources for documenting the status and trends of park natural resources in support of management decision making and resource protection. On 30 September 2005, 12 networks (stars) completed their monitoring plans and began to implement vital signs monitoring in their member parks.